

HOUSE RESOLUTION 319
By Ritchie

A RESOLUTION to commend Bethany Ann Willis for outstanding work as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, through the course of each legislative session, there have on occasion emerged certain individuals who far exceed the basic requirements set forth for them to follow; and

WHEREAS, Bethany Ann Willis has distinguished herself as one such individual through her work as a legislative intern for Representatives Wayne Ritchie and Joe Armstrong; her efforts resulting in untold benefits for the members she served and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a highly regarded junior at the University of Tennessee, Bethany has excelled both academically and in extracurricular activities; she has served her peers as a Student Government Senator and has been an active member of Zeta Tau Alpha Fraternity, receiving their Scholarship Pearl; and Delta Sigma Pi Business Fraternity, serving as historian; and

WHEREAS, Bethany also gave unselfishly of her time and talents as assistant stage manager for a production of "God's Country" and is a certified lifeguard and scuba diver; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Bethany has lived as an exchange student in Japan and studied the Japanese language for four years at East Tennessee State University while attending high school; and

WHEREAS, Bethany evinces her strong faith in the Lord through her active membership at First Freewill Baptist Church of Erwin; and

WHEREAS, Bethany's display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for her future success as she plans to pursue a joint J.D./M.B.A. at the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, during the 1996 legislative session, Bethany exceeded all standards with regard to the qualities that are expected of a dedicated and competent legislative intern; she will especially be remembered by the staff and members of the Consumer and Employee Affairs committee for the "Thursday morning brownies"; and

WHEREAS, eager to learn more about the intricacies and idiosyncrasies of Tennessee state government and to aid in her studies, Bethany brought many skills to the State Capitol for the 1996 session of the Ninety-Ninth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Bethany has performed many responsibilities with extraordinary ingenuity and intelligence and it is appropriate that we honor her for her exemplary efforts; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend Bethany Ann Willis for her outstanding service as a legislative intern and wish her much success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.